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SUBJ: CIVAIR: WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER PROGRAM

REF: STATE 229252

1. PURSUANT REFTEL INSTRUCTION WE HAVE SENT TO MEUNIER OF SGAC LETTER OF WHICH TEXT GIVEN BELOW. WE READ TEXT TO HUGHES WHEN HE PHONED US FROM LONDON AND HE HAD NO PROBLEM WITH IT. WE ARE SENDING COPY TO WORLD AIRWAYS' PARIS REP.

2. TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO REITERATE TO YOU THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WITH REGARD TO THE PRINCIPLE AT ISSUE RELATING TO OPERATION OF THREE-POINT ITC PROGRAMS THROUGH FRANCE OF THE KIND FOR WHICH WORLD AIRWAYS HAS SOUGHT YOUR AUTHORIZATION. IT REMAINS THE POSITION OF MY GOVERNMENT THAT FLIGHTS BETWEEN THESE POINTS ARE THIRD AND FOURTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC AND NOT FIFTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC AS THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT CONTENTS.

WHILE YOUR COOPERATION IS APPRECIATED IN ENABLING THE CURRENT WORLD AIRWAYS PROGRAM TO BE COMPLETED THROUGH PARIS WITHOUT THE INCONVENIENCE
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THAT WOULD HAVE RESULTED OTHERWISE FOR ALL CONCERNED

AND NOTABLY THE PASSENGERS, THE EMBASSY IS FURTHER
INSTRUCTED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT DOES NOT ACCEPT AS PRECEDENT PREJUDICING
ITS POSITION THE ACCEPTANCE BY WORLD AIRWAYS OF
THE ARRANGEMENT PROPOSED BY AIR FRANCE TO OPERATE
THE LONDON-PARIS AND PARIS-VIENNA LEGS OF THE WORLD
AIRWAYS ITC PROGRAM IN QUESTION AS AIR FRANCE FLIGHTS.
UNQUOTE

3. HUGHES--AND WE--HAD BEEN CURIOUS OVER WHAT
INFLUENCES HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO BEAR BEHIND THE
SCENES ON GOF SIDE TO EXPLAIN MUCH MORE CONCILIATORY
ATTITUDE ON PART OF AIR FRANCE BEGINNING LATE
AFTERNOON SEPT. 23, AND WHICH THUS ALSO CLEARLY
FLAGGED MORE FLEXIBILITY IN GOF POSITION. FROM
WHAT BRUNEAU HAS SINCE TOLD US WE CONCLUDE THAT
IT WAS HE (WITH CAVAILLE'S WEIGHT BEHIND HIM)
WHO WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING ABOUT DENOUEMENT
SINCE HE ADMITTED TO BECOMING "VERY ACTIVELY INVOLVED"
WITH PROBLEM FOLLOWING OUR APPROACH TO HIM REPORTED
PARIS 24732.
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